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TO: Director's Office, DFW Staff, RIMFC, Enforcement, and Fishermen

FROM: RI Division of Fish and Wildlife

DATE: July 25, 2013

SUBJECT: Regulation filing

An amendment was filed on July 25, 2013. In summary, the changes are as follows:

7/25/2013

PART III - MARINE FISHERIES COUNCIL

3.2.1 - This action **CLOSES** the commercial possession limit for **Menhaden in State Waters outside the Narragansett Bay Menhaden Management Area (allows for a 6,000 pound per vessel per calendar day bycatch allowance)** beginning 12:01 AM, Sunday, July 28, 2013, until further notice; and also **CLOSES** the commercial fishery for **Black Sea Bass** beginning 12:01AM, Wednesday, July 31, 2013. [This regulation amendment becomes effective upon filing].

For a Summary of Changes to the RI Marine Fisheries Regulations, when posted, click here:

http://www.dem.ri.gov/pubs/regs/regs/fishwild/fishamnd.htm

The regulations can be viewed in their entirety **when posted** at the DEM/DFW Marine Fisheries web site.

http://www.dem.ri.gov/pubs/regs/regs/fishwild/rimftoc.htm